



AGRICULTURAL PRICES

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Prices Received by Florida Farmers

Florida Citrus producer received \$6.64 per box in January for oranges, up \$0.41 from December, and up \$0.95 from January 2011. The Florida January milk price was \$24.30 per hundredweight, up \$1.10 from last month, and \$3.40 above last year. The replacement milk cow price for January was \$1,490 per head, down from \$1,620 in October 2011, and up from \$1,360 in January 2011. The January peanut price was \$0.294 per pound, up \$0.03 from last month

United States Price Index

The preliminary All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers in January 2011, at 186 percent, based on 1990-92=100, increased seven points (3.9 percent) from December. The Crop Index is up 10 points (5.1 percent) but the Livestock Index decreased one point (0.6 percent). Producers received higher prices for cattle, broilers, soybeans, and corn and lower prices for eggs, milk, wheat, and lettuce. In addition to prices, the overall Index is also affected by the seasonal change based on a 3-year average mix of commodities producers sell. Increased monthly movement of corn, soybeans, cattle, and rice offset the decreased marketing of milk, broilers, cotton, and cottonseed. The preliminary All Farm Products Index is up 20 points (12 percent) from January 2011. The Food Commodities Index, at 171, increased two points (1.2 percent) from last month and 12 points (7.5 percent) from January 2011.

Index Summary Table

Index	January 2011	December 2011	January 2012
Prices received.....	166	179	186
Prices paid	195	205	207
Ratio prices received to prices paid	85	87	90

Average Price Received by Farmers

[Current month prices are mid-month; prices for previous months and are for the entire month.]

Commodity	Florida			United States		
	January 2011	December 2011	January 2012	January 2011	December 2011	January 2012
MEAT ANIMALS						
Cows dollars per cwt	(3)	(3)	(3)	65.00	70.50	73.80
Steers & heifers dollars per cwt	(3)	(3)	(3)	110.00	126.00	129.00
Calves dollars per cwt	(3)	(3)	(3)	136.00	157.00	166.00
Hogs, all ¹ dollars per cwt				55.80	63.50	62.40
MILK ²						
Sold to plants, all dollars per cwt	20.90	23.20	24.30	16.70	19.80	19.20
POULTRY						
Broilers, live ¹ dollars per pound				0.450	0.470	0.490
Table eggs ¹ dollars per dozen				0.660	1.100	0.667
CITRUS, ON TREE						
Oranges.....dollars per box	5.69	6.23	6.64	6.58	7.02	7.09
Grapefruitdollars per box	6.32	5.63	5.62	6.94	6.21	5.78
Tangerines and mandarinsdollars per box	11.01	7.85	14.12	16.93	21.15	15.73
Tangelosdollars per box	5.70	6.56	7.07	5.70	6.56	7.07
FIELD CROPS						
Potatoes dollars per cwt	(S)	(S)	(S)	9.08	9.08	9.08
Hay, All baleddollars per ton				112.00	177.00	172.00
Peanutsdollars per pound	0.230	0.264	0.294	0.230	0.308	0.343
Corn ¹ dollars per bushel				4.94	5.86	5.90
Cotton, Upland ¹dollars per pound				0.821	0.885	0.874
Soybeans ¹ dollars per bushel				11.60	11.50	11.70
Wheat, Winter ¹ dollars per bushel				6.35	6.41	6.25
VEGETABLES						
Beans, snap ¹ dollars per cwt				131.00	69.10	80.60
Corn, sweet ¹ dollars per cwt				62.20	14.90	31.50
Cucumbers ¹ dollars per cwt				(S)	19.40	(S)
Tomatoes ¹ dollars per cwt				51.90	26.50	31.70

NA Not available.

S Insufficient number of reports to establish an estimate.

¹ Only marketing year average prices are estimated for Florida, except broilers, and eggs which are not estimated.

² Before deductions for hauling and government withholding, and includes quantity and other premiums, but excludes hauling subsidies.

³ Monthly prices discontinued January 2011.

Highlights-United States Prices Received Indices: January 2012

All Crops: The Index, at 208, increased 5.1 percent from December and 10 percent above January 2011. Index increases for feed grains & hay, potatoes & dry beans more than offset the Index decreases for commercial vegetables, food grains, fruit & nuts, and oilseeds.

Food Grains: The Index, at 225, declined 4.3 percent from the previous month but is 2.3 percent above a year ago. The January all wheat price at \$6.86 per bushel, is down 33 cents from December but 17 cent above January 2011.

Feed Grains and Hay: The Index, at 255, is up 0.8 percent from last month and 22 percent above a year ago. The corn price, at \$5.90 per bushel, is up 4 cents from last month and 96 cents above January 2011. The all hay price, at \$172.00 per ton, decreased \$5.00 from December but is \$60.00 higher than last January. Sorghum grain, at \$10.40 per hundredweight is 10 cents less than December but 91 cents above last year.

Cotton, Upland: The Index, at 144, is down 1.4 percent from December but 6.7 percent above last year. The January price, at 87.4 cents per pound, declined 1.1 cents from the previous month but is 5.3 cents above last January.

Oilseeds: The Index, at 211, is down 0.5 percent from December but is 1.9 percent higher than January 2011. The soybean price, at \$11.70 per bushel, increased 20 cents from December and is 10 cents higher than January 2011.

Potatoes and Dry Beans: The Index, at 175, is up 4.2 percent from last month and 15 percent above January 2011. The all potato price, at \$9.08 per hundredweight, is unchanged from December and last January. The all dry bean price, at \$45.80 per hundredweight, is up \$4.00 from the previous month and \$19.60 above January 2011.

Fruits and Nuts: The Index, at 154, is down 1.9 percent from December but 2.7 percent higher than a year ago. The price decreases for apples, grapefruit, and strawberries more than offset price increases for oranges and lemons.

Commercial Vegetables: The Index, at 120, is down 12 percent from last month and 38 percent below January 2011. Lower prices for lettuce and broccoli during January more than offset higher tomato, celery, and snap bean prices.

Livestock and Products: The Index, at 156, declined 0.6 percent from last month but is 14 percent higher than January 2011. Compared with a year ago, prices for cattle, milk, broilers, hogs, calves, turkeys, and eggs increased.

Meat Animals: The Index, at 161, is up 3.2 from last month and 15 percent higher than last year. The January hog price, at \$62.40 per hundredweight, is \$1.10 lower than December but increased \$6.60 from a year ago. The January beef cattle price of \$124.00 per hundredweight is up \$4.00 from last month and \$17.00 from January 2011.

Dairy Products: The Index, at 147, is down 3.3 percent from a month ago but 15 percent higher than January last year. The January all milk price of \$19.20 per hundredweight is down 60 cents from last month but \$2.50 higher than January 2011.

Poultry and Eggs: The Index, at 152, declined 6.2 percent from December but is 7.8 percent higher than a year ago. The January market egg price at 66.7 per dozen, is 43.3 cents less than December but 0.7 cents higher than January 2011. The January broiler price, at 49.0 cents per pound, is up 2.0 from December and 4.0 cents above a year ago. The January turkey price, at 66.0 cents per pound, is down 5.4 cents from the previous month but is up 9.6 cents from a year earlier.

Prices Received for Selected Agricultural Commodities by month - United States: 2010 and 2011
[Current month prices are mid-month; prices for previous months are for the entire month. Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun]

Month	All wheat		Corn		Soybeans		Beef cattle ¹		All hogs	
	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012
	(dollars per bushel)	(dollars per bushel)	(dollars per bushel)	(dollars per bushel)	(dollars per bushel)	(dollars per bushel)	(dollars per cwt)	(dollars per cwt)	(dollars per cwt)	(dollars per cwt)
January	6.69	6.86	4.94	5.90	11.60	11.70	107.00	124.00	55.80	62.40
February	7.42		5.65		12.70		108.00		61.60	
March	7.55		5.53		12.70		115.00		63.10	
April	8.01		6.36		13.10		119.00		67.70	
May	8.16		6.32		13.20		112.00		68.60	
June	7.41		6.38		13.20		107.00		69.70	
July	7.10		6.33		13.20		111.00		71.70	
August	7.61		6.88		13.40		111.00		75.80	
September	7.55		6.37		12.20		112.00		67.10	
October	7.29		5.71		11.70		117.00		68.70	
November	7.26		5.84		11.70		120.00		64.40	
December	7.19		5.86		11.50		120.00		63.50	

¹ Includes cows, steers, and heifers.